



Community Presbyterian Church

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
2 February 2025

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*Call to Worship

(One) The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. We too now see this glorious light.

(All) The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

(One) We have been called out of darkness. We too now see this glorious light.

(All) Like the Magi, we have beheld Christ's glory—His glory as the only Son of the Father.

(One) For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given. In him was life, and the life was the light of all people. Christ is the King of all nations. Christ is Lord over all creation.

Opening Prayer

Responsive Psalm

Psalm 71:1-6

(One) In you, O LORD, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

(All) In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me.

(One) Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

(All) Rescue me, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel.

(One) For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O LORD, from my youth.

(All) From my birth I have leaned upon you, my protector since my mother's womb. My praise is continually of you.

*Hymn (598)

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

(1) Glorious things of thee are spoken,

Zion, city of our God;

he whose Word cannot be broken

formed you for his own abode.

On the Rock of Ages founded,

what can shake your sure repose?

With salvation's walls surrounded,
you may smile at all your foes.

(2) See, the streams of living waters,
springing from eternal love,
well supply your sons and daughters
and all fear of want remove.
Who can faint while such a river
ever will their thirst assuage?
Grace, which like the Lord, the giver,
never fails from age to age.

(3) Round each habitation hovering,
see the cloud and fire appear,
for a glory and a covering,
showing that the Lord is near!
Thus deriving from their banner
light by night and shade by day,
safe they feed upon the manna
which God gives them on their way.

(4) Savior, since of Zion's city
I through grace a member am,
let the world deride or pity,
I will glory in your name.
Fading are the world's best pleasures,
all its bloated pomp and show;
solid joys and lasting treasures
none but Zion's children know

Prayer of Confession

(All) God of Glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and baptize us once again with your Spirit, that,

forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silence

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAMATION

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 1:4-10

New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Gospel Reading

Luke 4:21-30

Sermon

***Hymn (358)**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

(1) Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.

(2) Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit,
let us find the promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning,
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

(3) Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,

nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

(4) Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

RESPONSE

Welcome to the Table

Words of Institution

Communion

Eat This Bread

Eat this bread, Drink this cup.
Come to him and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, Drink this cup.
Trust in him and you will not thirst.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. **I believe** in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is

seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead. **I believe** in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory

*Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People

(One) In Your mercy ...

(All) ... Hear our prayers.

The Lord's Prayer (sins/trespass)

SENDING

Charge

Benediction

Postlude

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SCRIPTURES

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,
1:5

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

1:6

Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy."

1:7

But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy,' for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you.

1:8

Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD."

1:9

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth, and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth.

1:10

See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

If I speak in the tongues of humans and of angels but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

13:2

And if I have prophetic powers and understand all mysteries and all knowledge and if I have all faith so as to remove mountains but do not have love, I am nothing.

13:3

If I give away all my possessions and if I hand over my body so that I may boast but do not have love, I gain nothing.

13:4

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant

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or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable; it keeps no record of wrongs;

13:6

it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth.

13:7

It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

13:8

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end.

13:9

For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part,

13:10

but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end.

13:11

When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways.

13:12

For now we see only a reflection, as in a mirror, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known.

13:13

And now faith, hope, and love remain, these three, and the greatest of these is love.

Luke 4:21-30

Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

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All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is this not Joseph's son?"

4:23

He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here

also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'"

4:24

And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in his hometown.

4:25

But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months and there was a severe famine over all the land,

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yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon.

4:27

There were also many with a skin disease in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian."

4:28

When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage.

4:29

They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff.

4:30

But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.